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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 28-JUL-01 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 07/28/01	PREVIOUS WEEK 07/21/01
BRO-FRY	160,031	159,266
LT HENS	1,700	1,736
HVY HENS	1,546	1,576

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA
WEEKS ENDING 2114-JUL-01 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
HEAD	278	8	286
LAST WEEK	490	4	494
SAME WK YR AGO	332	29	603
TO DATE 2001	13,515	199	13,428
TO DATE 2000	14,109	304	14,052

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SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
HEAD	1,939	1,542	3,481
LAST WEEK	2,175	1,646	3,821
SAME WK YR AGO	2,291	1,638	3,929
TO DATE 2001	65,098	39,626	104,724
TO DATE 2000	71,093	40,939	112,032

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 21-Jul-01 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	158,453 (A)	1,661	1,534	3,195
AVG WT	4.96	3.49	8.07	5.69
LAST WEEK	158,097	1,685	1,642	3,327
SAME WEEK YR AGO	158,155	1,959	1,609	3,568
AVG WT	4.92	3.45	8.09	5.54
TO-DATE/2001	4,427,074	51,583	39,427	91,010
TO-DATE/2000	4,479,024	56,984	40,635	97,619

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 159.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 160.4 million head or 0.9 million head less than or 101 percent of estimated fryers available.

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**YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING July 14, 2001**

(A) FAST FOOD/FOOD SERVICE	(B) RETAIL	(C) DEBONING
4.20 LBS & DOWN	4.21-5.25 LBS	5.26 LBS & UP
-----THOUSANDS-----		

HEAD	38,325	32,090	42,184
AVG WEIGHT	3.75	4.79	6.09
% OF TOTAL /1	34%	28%	37%
COMPARISONS			
LAST WEEK	33,503	24,570	37,598
AVG WEIGHT	3.84	4.84	6.02
% OF TOTAL /1	35%	26%	39%
 SAME WEEK, YR AGO /2	 30,713	 37,156	 34,847
AVG WEIGHT	3.73	4.79	5.96
% OF TOTAL /1	30%	36%	34%
 TO DATE/2001	 915,055	 735,310	 1,254,533
TO DATE/2000	926,240	905,076	1,148,964

/1 MAY NOT TOTAL TO 100% DUE TO ROUNDING

/2 COMPARABLE WEEK

- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.
- (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 21-Jul-01
(THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG (B) HENS	TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD BREEDERS	TOTAL
HEAD	2,000	2,803	45	24	4,872
AVG WT	16.29	34.12	24.27	27.62	26.67
HEAD SLTR COMPARISONS					
LAST WEEK	2,013	2,808	65	15	4,901
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,147 (B)	2,904	21	10	5,082
AVG WT	15.71 (B)	33.11	22.13	25.64	25.70
TO-DATE/2001	57,737 (B)	77,348	1,129	348	136,562
TO-DATE/2000	134,262 (B)		504	885	135,651

(B) Comparable data not available for last year, this data is comprised of hens and toms.

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.
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